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For the better Regulating of His Majesties Forces.

At *Edinburgh*, the Twenty third Day of *July*, 1689.



THE Lords of His Majesties Privy Council, Considering how much it is the Honour as well as the Interest of this Kingdom, that the Forces Raised and Levied therein, for His Majesties Service, be regularly and sufficiently Cloathed, and that good Order and Discipline be observed and kept amongst them, and that all false Mustures may in time coming be prevented. They do hereby Ordain the several Collonels of the Regiments of the new Levied Forces, with all possible Diligence, to have their Souldiers well Shod, and well and Uniformly Cloathed, for the present Service and Expedition, as they will be answerable, and that they and the rest of the Officers of the Forces, do use their utmost Discretion and Endeavour to hinder and impede the Souldiers and others in the Regiments, from Cursing, Swearing, and Profaning of the Sabbath: (which their own good Example will be the most effectual means to prevent) And least His Majesties Service, and the Interest of the Nation, may be prejudged by the keeping of insufficient Men in the Companies, or by having a false Muster of Men, which are not so In-rolled, as that they are engaged to a daily and continual Service and Attendance: The saids Lords of His Majesties Privy Council, Do hereby grant Order and Warrant to the Officers of the several Regiments and Companies *respective*, to Dismiss, Cast out, and put out of their Companies, or Regiments, any insufficient and unqualified Souldiers that shall be found therein; and they discharge all false Mustures in time coming, under the pain of Cashierment of the Officer, or Officers, that shall be found guilty of doing thereof; and under an Arbitrary Punishment to the Souldiers that shall be so Employed for making up of the said false Muster: And they do Declare, That if any of the Officers shall Lend their Men to Officers in their own or other Regiments, they shall incur and be lyable to the same Certification. And for Encouragement to such Souldiers and others, who shall Discover such false Mustures, they hereby promise a Reward unto them; and being Souldiers, Declare, That they shall have their Pass from the Company, if desired. And for preventing of any Discouragement, which the Commissionat Officers may think themselves lyable to of being Cashiered, and put off at their Collonels pleasure through their wanting of Commissions from His Majestie, or the Meeting of the Estates; They do Declare, That such Commissionat Officers as have been Mustured and Listed, shall not by the Authority of their Collonels be changed or put off upon any account, without the Sentence of a Council of War; and Ordains the Collonels of the several Regiments, to pay unto their Respective Captains their full Pay they receive for their Companies, according to their Muster-Rolls, they always obliging them to keep their Companies compleat. And they hereby appoint all the Officers and Souldiers of the whole Forces, as well Horse, Foot, as Dragoons, to take the Oath of Allegiance after-mentioned: I do sincerely Promise and Swear, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to their Majesties, King *William* and Queen *Mary*, and that I will be faithful to the *Protestant Religion*, and obey my Superior Officers: So help me God. And Ordains these Presents to be Printed. Extracted by me

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